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A METHOD TO INCREASE THE COUPLING  
RATION OF WORD LINE TO FLOATING GATE  
BY LATERAL COUPLING IN STACKED-GATE  
FLASH

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### RESPONSE FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 10/03/01, please amend the above  
identified application for patent as follows:

### CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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## AMENDMENT

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees involved with added Claims and the like to Deposit Account No. 19-0033.

## IN THE TITLE

Please replace the existing title with the following title:

A STACKED-GATE FLASH MEMORY CELL WITH FOLDING FLOATING GATE  
AND INCREASED COUPLING RATIO

## IN THE DRAWINGS

One replacement sheet marked in red for corrections for Fig. 1 is submitted for approval. Corrections are made to erroneously labeled reference characters to distinguish them from the labels in the subsequent Figures. No new matter added.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 2, last paragraph has been amended as follows:

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